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(PATENT)

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Applicant:

MORAN, M. et al.

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THEREFOR

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to the Examiner's restriction requirement set forth in the Office Communication dated October 10, 2007 (Restriction Requirement).

To be completely responsive to the Office Action, and without acquiescing in the propriety of the restriction requirement, Applicants elect to pursue Group V (claim 5), drawn to an isolated nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide having at least 80% amino acid sequence with a CatSper3 sequence.

A three-month Petition for Extension of Time and authorization to charge the petition fee is enclosed herewith. A Request for Corrected Filing Receipt is also enclosed. No additional fees are believed to be due. However, if such a fee is due or a credit is owed, please make them to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219, referencing attorney docket number 0110313.00138US2.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below in order to expedite the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 5, 2008

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